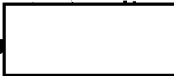


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The Honorable
The Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: Pennsylvania Railroad Company vs. the United States
In the Court of Claims No. 49430

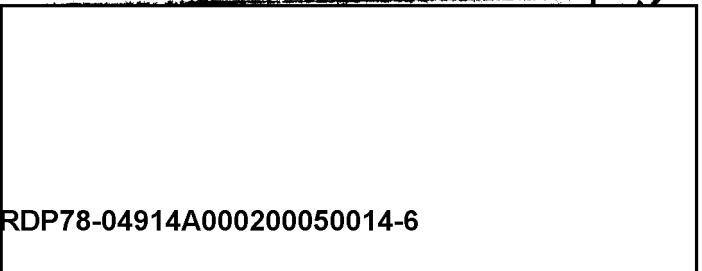
Dear Mr. Attorney General:

This Agency has reviewed the petition of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, filed January 6, 1950, in the above specified matter which was forwarded by the Assistant Attorney General on 30 January 1950. Three of the items set forth in Exhibits A and B to the petition appear to relate to the official business of this Agency or predecessor offices. Two items concerning freight charges to the Office of Strategic Services are set forth on page 40 of Exhibit A. These will be considered together. One item concerning passenger transportation for the Central Intelligence Agency is set forth on page 51 of Exhibit B.

FREIGHT CHARGES AGAINST THE
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

The office of the Director of the Office of Strategic Services was abolished by Executive Order 9881, effective October 1, 1945, and, except for certain transfers to the State Department, the personnel, funds and records of the Office of Strategic Services were transferred to the War Department. Effective the same date, there was organized, in the Department of the Army, the Strategic Services Unit as a semi-autonomous organization under the direction of the Under-Secretary of the Army. The records pertaining to the instant claim were, therefore, technically War Department records in the custody of the Strategic Services Unit, which was subsequently liquidated except for certain record purposes. ~~There was~~ No transfer of record to the Central Intelligence Agency.

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matter as appeared to be required for official purposes by the Central Intelligence Agency was put in the custody of this Agency and remains available to it under its control. We, therefore, have the basic records pertaining to the OWS items set forth on page 40 of Exhibit A.

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According to these records, therefore, payment was made in full for the claim as billed in the amount of \$2,841.55, and there is no evidence of any notice of a payment deficiency in connection with this claim. There is no supplemental billing in the record. It is our belief, therefore, that payment in full was made of these two items and was received by the Railroad.

PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION CLAIM AGAINST
THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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"Information is requested as to how the value of this transportation request was computed. Accordingly, the transportation request has been deleted from your bill and is attached hereto for re-billing."

There is neither a record of a reply to this letter nor any indication that a re-billing has been submitted. No further action, therefore, has been taken although all pertinent records are in the immediate possession of this Agency.

COUNTER-CLAIMS OR SET-OFFS

A review of the pertinent records of the Office of Strategic Services and of the Central Intelligence Agency indicates that there are no counter-claims, set-offs, or other demands of record which would furnish the basis of a cross action against the claimant.

We trust that the information set forth above is responsive to your inquiry of 30 January 1950. If any further information is desired, we shall be pleased to furnish it upon request.

Very truly yours,

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[Redacted Signature]

Captain, USA
Executive

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